

Docket No.: 076476-0011

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| In re Application of                                       | : | Customer Number: 53080    |
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| Hiroshi IWAMOTO, et al.                                    | : | Confirmation Number: 4397 |
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| Application No.: 10/593,894                                | : | Group Art Unit: 1791      |
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| Filed: September 22, 2006                                  | : | Examiner: DYE, Robert C   |
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| For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REMOVING DISSIMILAR MATERIAL | : |                           |

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2010, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire June 5, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows.